Sarkaria Committee on set-up of Delhi

1614. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what task has been assigned to the Sarkaria Committee on the set-up of Delhi;

(b) what progress has been made so far in this regard; and

(c) by when its report will be due and whether any interim report has been submitted by the Committee, if so, what are the main features thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) The Committee has been asked to study the drawbacks if any in the efficient functioning of the existing administrative and municipal authorities in Delhi.

(ii) to examine the nature and extent of the overlapping of functions, if any, and the difficulties experienced by the common man in his day to day dealings with such authorities;

(iii) to make recommendations keeping in view (i) and (ii) above regarding rationalisation or reorganisation or streamlining of the administrative and municipal set-up with a view to (a) ensuring efficiency and effectiveness in the functioning of various authorities by such modifications in structures as may be necessary so as to have cohesive and coordinated set-up with properly defined spheres of authority for each of them, (b) avoiding overlapping of functions between various authorities by bringing about adequate decentralisation of powers and clear-cut demarcation of functions and responsibility and (c) securing all round improvement in providing services to the public and for quicker redressal of public grievances.

(iv) to make recommendations for amendments to existing laws or enactment of a new law wherever necessary;

(v) to make such other suggestions or recommendations as the Committee may consider necessary to secure the objective.

(b) The Committee is still in the mist of its deliberations and interviewing eminent persons of the public political parties etc.

(c) The Committee is expected to submit its report by 31st December, 1988. It has not submitted any interim report.

Report published in a Mizoram Bi-weekly

1615. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Mizoram biweekly Zoeng, brought out from Aizwal, in its issue of 22nd August, 1988 has published an article on a reportedly secret Congress(I)—TNV negotiations taking place from October, 1987 to December, 1987;

(b) whether the bi-weekly has also published the text of three letters in this connection; and

(c) if so, what are the details of that article and contents of those three letters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (c) Zo-eng, a Mizo bi-weekly, in its issue dated August 22, 1988 had published an article captioned "Memorandum of Settlement between TNV and India—Tripura accord is better than the Accord signed by MNF—Lalthanhawla", which, *inter alia*,